placed under a separate head and that strenuous endeavours be made by that Department to bring home to the ryots improved and intensive methods of cultivation.

(4) *Committee for Irrigation.*

Mr. K. T. Mathew.—*This Council requests the Government to appoint a committee with a non-official majority to enquire and submit a report for improving and developing irrigation in the State.*

(5) *Irrigation Department with an Advisory Committee.*

(5) Mr. K. T. Mathew.—*This Council requests the Government to constitute an Irrigation Department with an Advisory Committee consisting mainly of the non-official members of the Legislative Council.*

(6) *Deletion of provisions from Land Revenue Manual.*

(6) Mr. K. T. Mathew.—*This Council requests the Government to delete from the Land Revenue Manual the provision to obtain sanction from the jenmi for laterite quarrying.*

(7) *The discontinuance of the half-time system in Schools.*

President.—So we shall go to resolution No. 6 on Wednesday's agenda. Mr. K. Raman Menon has now come. His name may be included. Mr. M. K. Raman is not coming.

Please move the resolution standing in your name, Mr. Ambooken.

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—The House has not sufficient strength to move the resolution.

President.—If the Government opposes, you lose the resolution.

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—So what is the use of moving under the circumstances?

President.—Is this a case where we should oppose the motion?

Rao Sahib Mr. C. Matthai.—Yes.

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—What is the use of moving?

President.—We are always open to conviction, if there are sufficient arguments to support your case, we will not oppose.

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—Under these circumstances, I don't think there is any use of moving the resolution. So, I don't move.

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President.—If you don't move the resolution, I have to close the sitting.

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—It is not in my power.

President.—You can move the resolution to engage the House for some time.

Mr. I. E. Ambooken.—Under these circumstances, I don't move the resolution, as there is no use.

President.—Then shall I make a note that you don't want to move the resolution?

Hence the following resolution was considered withdrawn:—

"This Council recommends to the Government that the "half-time" system now introduced in some of the schools in the State may be discontinued since it gives much trouble and inconvenience both to the teachers and the taught, and for the proper conduct of schools."

(8) *Preference to lady teachers in Girls' Schools.*

President.—Resolution No. 7 stands in the name of Dr. A. R. Menon. He is absent.

Hence Dr. A. R. Menon's resolution was considered withdrawn.

"(a) *This Council recommends that the male members of the teaching staff of Girls' Schools in the State may be replaced as early as possible by qualified lady teachers.*

"(b) *This Council recommends that hereafter preference should be given to lady candidates to fill up vacancies in the Primary schools.*"

President.—I suppose we shall have business to-morrow. More than 15 have gone. Even then we can go on with our business. We have got much work.

Rao Sahib Mr. T. V. Kasturi Ranga Ayyar.—We have not got much work. No work except on Friday, to pass Government Bills.

Mr. O. R. Chummar.—Some might return. But many may not.

President.—Last time, I remember Mr. Marayil Krishna Menon telling me that the walk-out has effect only for the day.

Mr. M. Krishna Menon.—That was for the last walk-out.

President.—So, this is a different walk-out.

I shall bring the sitting to a close.

(The Council rose for the day at 12-56 noon.)

T. K. KRISHNA MENON,
Secretary to the Council.

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